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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 09/930,697	<b>Applicant(s)</b> SQUIERS, ROBERT J.	
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,4,12,14 and 16 is/are pending in the application.  
4a) Of the above claim(s) 2,13 and 15 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,4,12,14 and 16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____. |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                   | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)             |
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1. Applicant's arguments filed 11/28/05 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

With regard to claim 1 and 12, Applicant argues that "the Parulski reference does not advance a sequential indicator for the image within the memory file and assigns the image with sequential indicator to the memory file", page 4 of the remarks. In response to the arguments, the examiner notes that a combination of switch 54 tag icon 52a is used by a user to create a sequential tag number (H111 and H122); where the tag name includes a sequential number in according to a user operation (col. 6, lines 45-59 and col. 7, lines 24-35).

With regard to claim 12, the Parulski reference discloses a switch (54) that is used to create tag number (col. 6, line 57).

For the above reasons, claims 1 and 12 are rejected again.

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

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Claims 1, 3, 4, 12, 14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Parulski et al (US 5,633,678).

With regard to claim 1, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, an electronic digital camera that performs the method for cataloging an image created by digital camera (the digital camera includes categorization feature, col. 4, lines 56-60), the method comprising the steps of manually inputting a character sequence an input device for the digital camera (a host computer and user control switches 29, col. 4, lines 56-67 and col. 1, 1-10 and lines 52-67); creating a memory file on the digital camera subject to identification by said character sequence (memory files 80, 82, 84 and 86 includes file names that are used to identify the images, col. 7, lines 59-65 and col. 6, lines 44-67 and col. 7, lines 1-40); advancing a sequential indicator for the image within the memory file (switch 54 working in combination with tag icon 52a generates tag name number such as H111 and H112; where the number in the tag name is advanced by a user as a sequential number and the tags are stored with associated images in the memory); assigning the image to said memory file (each image is assigned to a corresponding file, col. 7, lines 45-67 and Fig. 10); and

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storing the image in said file (images are stored in a memory card 24, col. 5, line 9).

With regard to claim 3, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, an electronic digital camera that performs the step of assigning includes the step transmitting said file remote server (a host computer is used a server to store images from the digital camera, col. 5, lines 1-9).

With regard to claim 4, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, an electronic digital camera that performs the step of manually advancing said character sequence coinciding with said image (the computer key pad includes keys that are used to generate file names).

With regard to claim 12, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, a camera system including an electronic digital camera and host computer, which comprises the character string (col. 6, lines 55-59); character input device subject to receive said character string (a key pad of a host computer col. 4, lines 54-67); memory file on the digital camera subject to identification by said character string, said memory file further subject to electronically store the digital image (image files, col. 7, lines 45-65 include file names to identify the files, col. 7, lines 24-65); switch which advances a sequential indicator for said digital image within said memory file (user control

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switches 54 are used to advance file names that are indicated as tag icon 52a, col. 5, lines 55-67 and col. 6, lines 45+); and the remote server subject to receive said memory 12 file (a host computer is used to generates file names, col. 4, line 64).

With regard to claim 14, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, a camera system including an electronic digital camera and host computer, which comprises the character input device is a keypad (the computer key pad).

With regard to claim 16, Parulski et al discloses in Fig. 2, a camera system including an electronic digital camera and host computer, which comprises the memory file contains multiple digital images (image files are stored in files 80, 82, 84 and 86 as shown in Fig. 10).

3. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any

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extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TUAN HO whose telephone number is (571) 272-7365. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri from 7AM to 4PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's acting supervisor, David Ometz can be reached on (571) 272-7593. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (572) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Customer Service whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.



TUAN HO

Primary Examiner

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